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NEWS.

By the death of Sir William Henry Flower, which occurred July 2, England loses one of her best vertebrate zoölogists. He was born in 1831, was educated as a surgeon, but since the early sixties his work was largely in zoölogical lines. In 1884 he was placed in charge of the Natural History division of the British Museum, a post which he held until last year. He was best known to students from his text-book on the osteology of the Mammalia and the work on the Mammalia produced in collaboration with Dr. Lydeker.

Mr. Emerson McMillin, of New York, has given \$1000 to the research fund of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

The collection of birds, chiefly European, made by Henry E. Dresser, and which served as the basis of his "Birds of Europe," has been acquired by the Manchester Museum. It contains about 10,000 specimens.

Drs. Dohrn of Naples, Fischer of Berlin, and Treub of Buitenzorg were recently elected foreign members of the Royal Society.

Professor Henry G. Jesup, who has held the chair of botany in Dartmouth College for twenty-two years, has resigned.

Professor V. M. Spaulding will resume his work in botany in the University of Michigan this fall.

Science has a correspondent of sensitive temperament, whose ear is offended by the term "pot hole"; he would suggest the term "remolino" in its place.

An Entomological Society has been founded in Albany, N. Y. Dr. E. P. Felt, the state entomologist, has been elected president.

The sons of the late Professor Jules Marcou have presented his geological library, consisting of 3,000 volumes, 10,000 pamphlets, and 1,200 maps, to the American Museum of Natural History in New York.

Dr. Adolf Fick, professor of physiology in the University of Würzburg, has resigned at the age of 70.

The next lectures on the George William Huntington foundation at the Johns Hopkins University will be given by Professor W. C. Brögger, of the University of Christiania, in April, 1900. He will take for his subject modern deductions regarding the origin of igneous rocks.

Over fifty students attended the Coldspring Harbor Biological Laboratory during the summer just past.

An egg of the great auk, slightly cracked, was recently sold in London for 300 guineas.

Recent appointments: M. Ardaillon, professor of geography at Lille. — Carlton R. Ball, assistant in the division of agrostology of the United States Department of Agriculture. — Elmer D. Ball, assistant entomologist in the Colorado Experiment Station at Denver. — Dr. Dante Bertelli, of Pisa, associate professor of anatomy in the University of Padua. — Ernst A. Bessey, assistant in the division of vegetable physiology and pathology of the Department of Agriculture. — H. Blodgett, assistant botanist and entomologist at the Experiment Station at Jamaica, N. Y. — Dr. J. Warwick Brown, examiner in zoölogy in the University of Aberdeen. — Dr. O. W. Caldwell, professor of botany in the State Normal School at Charleston, Ill. — Dr. E. Wace Carlier, professor of physiology in Mason College, Birmingham, England. — M. Chatin, professor of anatomy at Bordeaux. — Judson F. Clark, assistant in botany in Cornell University. — J. F. Collins, instructor in botany in Brown University. — Dr. G. Davis, assistant professor of applied anatomy in the University of Pennsylvania. — Dr. M. von Frey, professor of physiology in the University of Würzburg. — M. Guitel, adjunct professor of zoölogy at Rennes. — Heinrich Hasselbring, assistant in botany in Cornell University. — George J. Hastings, assistant in botany in Cornell University. — Dr. P. C. Bruno Henneberg, docent for anatomy in the University of Giessen. — Dr. A. J. Herbertson, lecturer on physical geography in the University of Oxford. — Dr. W. H. Hobbs, professor of mineralogy and petrology in the University of Wisconsin. — Dr. A. C. Houston, lecturer in bacteriology in Bedford College, London. — Dr. Ida Hyde, assistant professor of zoölogy in the University of Kansas. — Dr. A. Jakowatz, demonstrator in the botanical museum of the University of Vienna. — Dr. Hermann E. Johanssen, assistant in the zoölogical museum of the University at Tomsk, Siberia. — Dr. K. Keissler, assistant in the botanical museum of the University of Vienna. — P. Beveridge Kennedy, assistant in

the division of agrostology, United States Department of Agriculture. — Dr. Benjamin F. Kingsbury, assistant professor of microscopy and embryology in Cornell University. — Dr. Alfred Kohn, docent in histology in the German University of Prague. — Dr. Henry B. Kümmel, of Chicago, assistant state geologist of New Jersey. — M. Künstler, professor of comparative anatomy and embryology at Bordeaux. — Miss A. Lambert, assistant lecturer in biology in the University of Melbourne. — Professor Malcolm Laurie, examiner in zoölogy in the University at Glasgow. — Dr. R. S. Macdougall, lecturer on botany in the Heriot-Watt College, Edinburgh. — Curtis F. Marbut, professor of geology in the University of Missouri. — Dr. Rudolf Martin, professor extraordinarius of anthropology in the University of Zürich. — Elmer D. Merrell, assistant in the division of agrostology, United States Department of Agriculture. — Dr. W. D. Merrell, instructor in botany in the University of Rochester. — Mr. E. A. Minchin, of Oxford, Jodrell professor of zoölogy in University College, London. — Mr. Geo. T. Moore, instructor in botany in Dartmouth College. — W. A. Orton, assistant in the division of vegetable physiology and pathology, United States Department of Agriculture, to study diseases of cotton. — C. S. Prosser, associate professor of historical geology at the University of Ohio. — Dr. August L. Rimbach, instructor in vegetable physiology and pathology in the University of Nebraska. — Herbert F. Roberts, assistant in the Shaw School of Botany, St. Louis. — P. H. Rolfs, professor of botany in Clemson College, S. C. — Dr. E. A. Schaefer, of London, professor of physiology in the University of Edinburgh. — Dr. Friedrich Schenck, professor extraordinarius of physiology in the University of Würzburg. — Hermann von Schrenk, special agent in the division of vegetable pathology of the United States Department of Agriculture, to study the diseases of forest trees. — M. V. Slingerland, assistant professor of entomology in Cornell University. — Dr. Wilson R. Smith, instructor in botany in McMaster University, Toronto. — Dr. Sommer, docent for physiology in the University of Würzburg. — Dr. E. H. Starling, Jodrell professor of physiology in the University of London. — G. A. Stonier, specialist in mining on the Geological Survey of India. — Dr. Strickelson, privat docent for geography in the University of Basel. — Professor Ph. van Tieghem, professor of the biology of cultivated plants in the National Agronomic Institute at Paris. — H. G. Timberlake, instructor in botany in the University of Wisconsin. — Dr. M. Treub, director of the botanical gardens at Buitenzorg, Java. — Miss H. V. Whitten, tutor in geology in the

University of Texas. — Dr. K. M. Wiegand, instructor in botany in Cornell University. — D. L. Wilder, of Des Moines, Iowa, assistant on the Iowa Geological Survey. — Dr. Gregg Wilson, lecturer on biology in the Royal Veterinary College at Edinburgh, and lecturer on zoölogy at the Heriot-Watt College.

Deaths: Professor Balbiani, the well-known embryologist of the Collège de France, aged 75. — Dr. Ernst Beinling, assistant in the Botanical Experiment Station in Karlsruhe, in May. — Professor H. R. Geiger, sometime assistant on the United States Geological Survey, at Springfield, Ohio, July 18. — Mr. N. R. Harrington, instructor in zoölogy in Western Reserve University, in Atabara, Egypt, of typhoid fever, July 27. — Stefan Ph. Jakshich, professor of botany in the University of Belgrade, May 15. — The French geologist, Adolphe Legeal, has been murdered in the Sudan. — Christian Lippert, cryptogamic botanist, in Vienna, May 21. — Alphonse de Marbaix, professor of zoölogy in the Agricultural Institute at Louvain. — Dr. Joseph Mies, anatomist and anthropologist, in Cologne, June 9, aged 39. — W. W. Norman, professor of biology in the University of Texas, in Boston, about the first of July. — Dr. Gustaf Pernhoffer, botanist, in Vienna, May 17. — Wilhelm Rudel, student of Coleoptera and Lepidoptera, in Breslau, April 30, aged 81. — Rev. Jonathan Short, of Hoghton, England, a geologist and antiquarian, May 17, aged 73. — Henry Thomas Soppitt, mycologist, in Halifax, April 1, aged 40. — John Whitehead, collector and explorer, in the island of Hainan, aged 43.